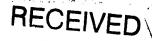
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated May 22, 2002 (Paper No. 13). A separate petition for a two-month extension of time is filed concurrently herewith.